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Qatar Council for Healthcare Practitioners



**Circular No. (06/2018)**

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| <b>From</b>    | Qatar Council for Healthcare Practitioners (QCHP)   |
| <b>To</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All Physicians in the State of Qatar</li><li>• All Healthcare Facilities Focal Points in the State of Qatar</li></ul> |
| <b>Subject</b> | Addendum to Circular No.(6/2017) regarding General Practitioner (Special Interest) Physicians applying for a Specialist Title                                 |
| <b>Date</b>    | 14 February, 2018   |

“Registration Department in Qatar Council for Healthcare Practitioners presents to you its compliments”.

As part of QCHP’s continuous pursuit to be transparent and to avoid confusion while adhering to the Registration Department’s policies and guidelines, we would like to clarify that physicians licensed as **General Practitioner (Special Interest)** applying for **Specialist** title should refer to the explanatory note attached to Circular (6/2017) explaining the eligibility and requirements for practitioners who fall under this category.

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**Thank you for your cooperation,**

**Registration Team/ Qatar Council for Healthcare Practitioners**



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## Explanatory Guidelines regarding Approved Specialty Qualifications List

In accordance with Circular (6/2017) regarding QCHP's Approved Specialty Qualifications List for Physicians, we would like to clarify and highlight the eligibility and required experience for Physicians who apply for the **Specialist** title as per category definition.

### General Practitioner (Special Interest) to Specialist:

- Physicians should complete the required years of experience according to the category of their post graduate degree.
- In order to proceed with the “change scope of practice” request, the work experience must be in the same specialty area of the physician’s post graduate degree.
- In case the specialty area of the work experience does not match the post graduate degree, the request will not be considered.
- An employment letter confirming work experience including the job duties and responsibilities is required.
- The work experience of physicians -licensed as GP (Special Interest) and working simultaneously as a General Practitioner and in the specialty area - will be accepted for “changing scope of practice” purposes if there is no break in practice.
- The work experience of physicians -licensed as GP (Special Interest) and working only in the specialty area - will be accepted for “changing scope of practice” purposes if there is no break in practice.
- The work experience of physicians -licensed as GP (Special Interest) and working only as a General Practitioner - will **not** be considered for “changing scope of practice” purposes.
- A recent no objection letter from the current employer to change scope of practice to specialist is required. (The validity of the NoC letter is up to 6 months)
- Additional supporting documents may be requested.



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Date:

**Letter of No Objection to “Change Scope of Practice”**

This is to certify that (healthcare practitioner name) \_\_\_\_\_  
is currently employed at (facility name) \_\_\_\_\_ from (date) \_\_\_\_\_  
as (current scope of practice) \_\_\_\_\_ and that we have no objection in  
recommending him/her to be changed to (new scope of practice) \_\_\_\_\_  
if he/she has met all the requirements as per QCHP’s policies and guidelines.

Medical Director Signature

Facility Stamp

**Note: This letter is valid for 6 months from the issue date.**